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Programme of meetings and agenda

Scheduled official meetings

Monday, 9 December 2002

Security Council

- 10 a.m. Consultations of the whole (closed). Consultations Room
- Georgia
- Angola¹
- Security Council mission to Kosovo, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia
- Other matters
- 3 p.m. 4657th (closed) meeting Security Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. The situation in the Central African Republic
- Afternoon². 4658th (closed) meeting Security Council Chamber
1. Adoption of the agenda
 2. Letter dated 29 November 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Chad to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2002/1317)

¹ With a view to a formal meeting.

² To be held following the adjournment of the 4657th (closed) meeting.

Security Council

A public meeting of the Security Council will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 2002, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; tel. 1 (212) 963-5598).



**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001)
concerning counter-terrorism**

3.30 p.m. Conference Room 1

Oral briefing to interested Member States of the United Nations by the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10 a.m. 70th plenary meeting. General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea [25]: commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Informal Panel 1

3-6 p.m. Trusteeship Council Chamber

Overall theme:

The Dynamism of the Convention: challenges for the present and solutions for the future

Sub-themes:

- I. The International Seabed Authority: an institution to manage the common heritage of mankind
- II. Limits in the seas: the need to establish secure maritime boundaries
- III. Settlement of disputes: a linchpin of the Convention

Chairman: Ambassador Cristián Maquieira (Chile)

Panellists:

Mr. Satya N. Nandan, Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority

Mr. Rolf Fife (Norway)

Judge Hugo Caminos (Argentina), International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Informal Panel 2

3-6 p.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber

Overall theme:

The Dynamism of the Convention: challenges for the present and solutions for the future

Sub-themes:

- I. Implementation of the Convention: the challenge to ensure the effectiveness of its rules (role of non-States actors/regional approach)

- II. The emerging concepts for the development and strengthening of the legal regime for the oceans (ecosystem-based approach, marine protected areas and oceans stewardship)
- III. The tools for change: the amendment procedure

Chairman: Ambassador Hasjim Djalal (Indonesia)

Panellists:

Judge José Luis Jesus (Cape Verde), International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Mr. Michael Bliss (Australia)

Professor Bernard Oxman (United States of America)

Main Committees

Second Committee

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.5 (item 84 (b)), A/C.2/57/L.6 (item 84 (d)) and A/C.2/57/L.37 (item 84 (a))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Jan Kára (Czech Republic), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.49 (item 86), A/C.2/57/L.12 (item 86 (a)), A/C.2/57/L.13 (item 86 (c)), A/C.2/57/L.38 and A/C.2/57/L.45 (item 87 (a)), A/C.2/57/L.21 (item 87 (b)), A/C.2/57/L.47 (item 87 (c)), A/C.2/57/L.17 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.57) (item 87 (d)), A/C.2/57/L.18 (item 87 (e)), A/C.2/57/L.19 and A/C.2/57/L.20 (item 87 (f))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Marco Antonio Suazo (Honduras), Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.28 (item 92)

3 p.m. 41st meeting Conference Room 2

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.39 and A/C.2/57/L.58

2. Macroeconomic policy questions: science and technology for development . . [84 (c)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.3 and A/C.2/57/L.61

3. Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly [95]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.30 and A/C.2/57/L.59

4. Third United Nations conference on the Least Developed Countries [96]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.31 and A/C.2/57/L.60

Afternoon¹—6 p.m. . . . Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on all outstanding draft proposals:

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.4 (item 84 (e)), A/C.2/57/L.10 (item 84 (c)) and A/C.2/57/L.29 (item 94)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Marco Antonio Suazo (Honduras), Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/57/L.15 (item 86 (d)), A/C.2/57/L.33 (item 92) and A/C.2/57/L.36 (item 93)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Jan Kára (Czech Republic), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.40 and A/C.2/57/L.41 (item 87), A/C.2/57/L.22 (item 87 (b)) and A/C.2/57/L.43 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.56) (item 87 (c))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Bruno van der Pluijm (Belgium), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.25 and A/C.2/57/L.27 (item 88), A/C.2/57/L.24 (item 89) and A/C.2/57/L.35 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/57/L.50) (item 90 (b))

¹ Following the adjournment of the 41st meeting of the Second Committee.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.—1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 112 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: Revised estimates arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council (A/C.5/57/13 and A/C.5/57/13/Corr.1 and A/57/7/Add.12); Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/57/23, A/C.5/57/CRP.1 and A/57/7/Add.17); First performance report (A/57/616 and A/57/7/Add.16); and United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/57/479 and A/57/7/Add.15))

3 p.m. 31st meeting Conference Room 3

1. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [111]

Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/57/85, A/57/16 and A/57/636)

Introduction and general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [112]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.16/Rev.1: Future operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/57/24 and A/57/7/Add.18)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.7: Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (A/C.5/57/26 and A/57/7/Add.19)

Conclusion of general discussion

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.27: United Nations Verification Mission in Guatemala (A/C.5/57/30 and A/57/7/Add.21)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.48: The situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/57/27 and A/57/7/Add.23)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/57/L.20: The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development (A/C.5/57/28 and A/57/7/Add.20)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/57/L.70: Khmer Rouge trials (A/C.5/57/29 and A/57/7/Add.22)

Introduction

Afternoon¹-6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 112 (Programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: Strengthening the Terrorism Prevention Branch of the Secretariat (A/57/152, A/57/152/Corr.1 and A/57/152/Add.1 and A/57/152/Add.1/Corr.1 and A/57/152/Add.2 and A/57/7/Add.13); and First performance report (A/57/616 and A/57/7/Add.16))

¹ Following the adjournment of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21) (organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations with co-sponsors and other interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 21 (a)) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Room S-2963D

Informal consultations of all interested delegations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, for relief to development" (under agenda item 21) (organized by the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of 77)

1.15-2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Second Committee

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.6 (item 84 (d)) (Enhancing international cooperation towards a durable solution to the external debt problem of developing countries)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.37 (item 84 (a)) (International trade and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.36 (item 93) (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.17 (item 87 (d)) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particular in Africa)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.41 (item 87) (Activities undertaken in preparations for the International Year of Freshwater, 2003)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.22 (item 87 (b)) (Natural disasters and vulnerability)

2–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.27 (item 88) (Human Development Report)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.10 (item 84 (c)) (Creation of a global Culture of Cybersecurity)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.40 (item 87) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its seventh special session)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Meeting of interested delegations on draft proposal A/C.2/57/L.43 (item 87 (c)) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Other meetings

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Monday, 9 December 2002

Group of 77 of the Whole (on the report of the Secretary-General: strengthening of the United Nations: an agenda for future change)

10–11 a.m. Closed meeting. Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (Second Committee : draft resolutions A/C.2/57/L.33, A/C.2/57/L.27, A/C.2/57/L.47, A/C.2/57/L.17, A/C.2/57/L.38, A/C.2/57/L.41, A/C.2/57/L.43 and A/C.2/57/L.35)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting. Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council or pending draft resolutions of the Second Committee)

1.30–3 p.m. Closed meeting. Conference Room 1

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting. Conference Room 5

African Union (African States parties to the International Criminal Court (Sixth Committee experts))

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting. Conference Room 7

World Health Organization Briefing

1.15–2.45 p.m. Conference Room 6

Briefing on the theme "Preparedness Against the Deliberate Use of Biological Agents to Cause Harm", sponsored by the World Health Organization, in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations [Speakers will include H.E. Mr. Pierre Schori, Permanent Representative of Sweden, and Dr. David Heymann, Executive Director, Communicable Diseases, WHO/Geneva. Interested delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 9 December 2002

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings**Tuesday, 10 December 2002****General Assembly****Fifty-seventh session**

10 a.m. 71st plenary meeting General Assembly Hall
 3 p.m. 72nd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Oceans and the law of the sea: report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its third meeting (A/57/80) [25]

- (a) Oceans and the law of the sea
 - (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/57/57, A/57/57/Add.1)
 - (ii) Draft resolution (A/57/L.48)
- (b) Large-scale pelagic drift-net fishing, unauthorized fishing in zones of national jurisdiction and on the high seas/illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, fisheries by-catch and discards, and other developments
 - (i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/57/459)
 - (ii) Draft resolution (A/57/L.49)
- (c) Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stock: draft resolution (A/57/L.50)

Main Committees**Second Committee**

10 a.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 2
 3 p.m. 42nd meeting Conference Room 2

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5
 3 p.m. 32nd meeting Conference Room 3
 Afternoon¹ Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

¹ Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (A/57/L.12) (organized by the delegation of Pakistan)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (A/57/L.12), organized by the delegation of Pakistan, will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the Millennium Summit" (under agenda item 44) (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit) (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the outcome of the Millennium Summit" under agenda item 44, chaired by H.E. Ms. Jana Simonová, Deputy Chef de Cabinet, Office of the President of the General Assembly, will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21) (organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 21), organized by the delegation of Denmark, on behalf of the European Union, will be held on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The 243rd (closed) meeting of the Security Council Committee established by resolution 661 (1990) concerning the situation between Iraq and Kuwait will take place on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, at 3.30 p.m.¹ in Conference Room 7.

¹ The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members of the United Nations in the same conference room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing, the Chairman will give a briefing to the Press.

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court

The Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court will resume its first session at United Nations Headquarters from 3 to 7 February and from 21 to 23 April 2003.

Non-governmental organizations

Pursuant to rule 93 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly of States Parties, non-governmental organizations invited to the Rome Conference, registered to the Preparatory Commission for the International Criminal Court, or having consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, whose activities are relevant to the

activities of the Court and other non-governmental organizations invited by the Assembly may, through their designated representatives, *inter alia*, attend meetings of the Assembly. Accordingly, non-governmental organizations eligible for accreditation may submit directly, or through the Coalition for an International Criminal Court, a written request with the names of their representatives to attend the resumed sessions of the Assembly. These requests should be addressed to Ms. Mona Khalil, Legal Officer, Office of the Legal Counsel (room S-3420B; or fax 1 (212) 963-6430), at the latest by Wednesday, 22 January 2003.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Panel discussion on "New issues and challenges for the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in the light of the adoption of the activities, targets and deadlines of the 2002 Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development"

A panel discussion on "New issues and challenges for the implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in the light of the adoption of the activities, targets and deadlines of the 2002 Plan of Implementation of the World Summit on Sustainable Development", co-sponsored by the Global Forum on Oceans, Coasts and Islands; the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO; the International Coastal and Ocean Organization (ICO); the Center for the Study of Marine Policy (CSMP); Oceana; the Wildlife Conservation Society; and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, will be held on Tuesday, 10 December 2002, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Announcements

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The General Assembly will take up the reports of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) on Wednesday morning, 11 December 2002. For ease of reference, delegations may also wish to refer to the checklist of reports of the Committee contained in document A/C.4/57/INF/3.

Nominations for the judges and Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court

The nomination period for the judges of the International Criminal Court closed on Saturday, 30 November 2002. The period for nominations for the Prosecutor has been extended, by a decision of the President of the Assembly of States Parties, to Sunday, 8 December 2002.

Final list of Third Committee draft proposals

Copies of the final list of the Third Committee draft proposals are available in room S-2950. The list is also available on the Web site the General Assembly (Third Committee) at the following address: www.un.org/ga/57.

Preparations for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-seventh session of the Commission on the Status of Women (3-14 March 2003), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following thematic issues that will be taken up by the Commission: (a) Participation and access of women to the media, and information and communication technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women; (b) Women's human rights and elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls as defined in the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome documents of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century". Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1244), no later than *Tuesday, 10 December 2002*, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commemoration of the 20th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (United Nations Headquarters) (9 December 2002)

Deposit of charts and/or lists of geographical coordinates with the Secretary-General

It will be possible for States Parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea that may wish to do so, to deposit charts and/or lists of geographical coordinates with the Secretary-General on Monday, 9 December 2002, at 9 a.m., in the West Foyer, adjacent to the General Assembly Hall at United Nations Headquarters. A note verbale or a letter by the Permanent Representative to the United Nations or other person considered as representing the State Party, addressed to the Secretary-General, should be submitted together with the charts or lists of geographical coordinates of points, indicating under which article of the Convention the deposit is being effected. It is recalled that charts or lists of geographical coordinates of points concerning straight or archipelagic baselines as well as the outer limits of their maritime zones are deposited under article 16, paragraph 2, article 47, paragraph 9, article 75, paragraph 2, and article 84, paragraph 2, of the Convention.

Security Council**Daily informal briefings**

As from Wednesday, 4 December 2002, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of meetings

Friday, 6 December 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

General Committee

68th plenary meeting

Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly and allocation of items: fourth report of the General Committee (A/57/250/Add.3) . . . [8]

The General Assembly decided, on the recommendation of the General Committee, to include in the agenda of its fifty-seventh session an additional item entitled "International Year of Rice, 2004" and to consider it directly in plenary meeting.

Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security . . . [21 (d) and 37]

(a) *Reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/410, A/57/487)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/57/L.56)*

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 21 and agenda item 37.

The Acting President presented, on behalf of the President of the General Assembly, a summary of the discussions of the Open-ended Panel of the General Assembly on "Afghanistan: one year later" held on 18 November 2002, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 57/8 of 11 November 2002.

The representative of Germany made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/57/L.56.

Statements were made by the representatives of Afghanistan, Denmark (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Turkey), the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States, Uzbekistan, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Malaysia, Ukraine, Qatar, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and India.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed that it would consider the report of the Credentials Committee (A/57/634), on Wednesday, 11 December 2002, as the first item, in the morning.

Postponement of the date of recess

The General Assembly decided to postpone the date of recess from Wednesday, 11 December, to Wednesday, 18 December 2002.

69th plenary meeting

Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security . . . [21 (d) and 37]

(a) *Reports of the Secretary-General (A/57/410, A/57/487)*

(b) *Draft resolution (A/57/L.56)*

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 21 and agenda item 37.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Mongolia, Turkey, Kazakhstan, Norway and Japan.

The Assembly decided to waive the relevant provision of rule 78 of the rules of procedures and decided to consider draft resolution A/57/L.56 immediately.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/57/L.56 (resolution 57/113 A and B).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 21 and agenda item 37.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

30th meeting

The summary of the 30th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2002/239).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles. Geneva, 25 June 1998

Accession: Sweden (3 December 2002)¹

Terms of Reference of the International Nickel Study Group. Geneva, 2 May 1986

Withdrawal: Japan (6 December 2002)¹

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Ratification: Ukraine (6 December 2002)¹

Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Montreal, 29 January 2000

Accession: Ukraine (6 December 2002)¹

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Treaty Event

Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (United Nations Headquarters) (9 December 2002)

Deposit of instruments of ratification or accession relating to treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above treaty event will take place on Monday, 9 December 2002, at 9 a.m. in the West Foyer adjacent to the General Assembly Hall at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The event, which will be covered by the media, will be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Legal Counsel, in response to his letter of 28 August 2002, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to deposit instruments of ratification or accession relating to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 and the Agreement of 28 July 1994 relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs to arrange appointments (room S-3200, tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax: 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail: untreaty.un.org).

Delegations are also requested to submit in advance copies of such instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and statements to the Treaty Section at the latest by 4 December 2002 for verification.

The status of the Convention and the Agreement can be obtained from the United Nations Treaty Collection on the Internet (untreaty.un.org). Summaries of the Convention and Agreement can also be found on this Web site along with the full texts of the English and French versions thereof under the heading Focus 2002 - Sustainable Development (direct link - untreaty.un.org/English/TreatyEvent2002). The summaries also contain pertinent information relating to treaty actions. Further information concerning the requirements for the deposit of instruments of ratification and accession and the like (including model instruments) can be found in the Treaty Handbook, which is also available on the above Web site.

Other announcements**Women's International Forum**

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Tuesday, 10 December 2002, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1. Presentations will be made by Mr. David Malone, President of the International Peace Academy; H.E. Sir Jeremy Greenstock, Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom; and H.E. Mr. Kishore Hahbubani, Permanent Representative of Singapore on "The Issue of Terrorism and the United Nations Response".

Launch of the International Year of Freshwater, 2003

On Thursday, 12 December 2002, the United Nations will mark the launch of the International Year of Freshwater, 2003, with a panel event entitled "The Challenges of Freshwater: A Dialogue" in Conference Room 4. The event will start at 9.45 a.m. with a video related to freshwater. Ms. Louise Fréchette, Deputy Secretary-General, will make opening remarks at 10 a.m. H.E. Mr. Talbak Nazarov, Foreign Minister of Tajikistan, will then make a statement, followed by the panel dialogue on meeting the freshwater challenges. The panel will feature Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Ms. June Clarke (Barbados), Vice-President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Milos Alcalay (Venezuela), Chairman of the Group of 77 (and China), and Mr. Gourisankar Ghosh, Executive Director, Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council. Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information, will moderate the dialogue. A performance of water songs by Pete Seeger and Bob Reid, and the Children's Choir of the United Nations International School will conclude the programme. The entire programme will be Webcast live at www.un.org/webcast. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the media are invited to attend. The event is organized by the Department of Public Information, in cooperation with the Department for Economic and Social Affairs. For further information, please contact Ms. Marsha Brewster, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-8590); Ms. Isolda Oca, NGO Section, DPI (tel. 1 (212) 963-8305); or Mr. Thomas Lillge, NGO Section, DPI (tel. 1 (212) 963-7709).

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 2002 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Gabon

H.E. Mr. Denis Dangué Réwaka

Asian States:

Japan

H.E. Mr. Koichi Haraguchi

Eastern European States:

Armenia

H.E. Mr. Movses Abelian

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Venezuela

H.E. Mr. Milos Alcalay

Western European and other States:

Sweden

H.E. Mr. Pierre Schori

Web sites

President of the General Assembly:
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